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Spalding University celebrates inauguration of President Tori Murden McClure

Spalding University celebrated the inauguration of Tori Murden McClure, M.Div., J.D., M.F.A. as the 28th president on October 17, 2010. President McClure previously served as the Louisville university's Vice-President of External Relations, Enrollment Management and Student Affairs.

An active member of the Louisville community, McClure is also a well-known author and speaker. Her memoir *A Pearl in the Storm* (Harper Collins, 2009), about her journey as the first woman and first American to row solo across the mid-Atlantic Ocean, was recently recognized as a 2010 Christopher Award winner.

Berea College awarded \$500,000 Promise Neighborhood Grant to plan improvements for rural Appalachian communities

Berea College is among 21 nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher education nationwide awarded planning grants as part of the Promise Neighborhoods initiative. The Promise Neighborhood grants address the challenges faced by students living in communities of concentrated poverty. The \$500,000 Berea College Promise Neighborhood grant engages the community in planning for a continuum of education services to address the educational needs of students in three economically depressed rural Kentucky counties. The three school systems Berea College is partnering with include: Clay County (3,577 students), Jackson County (2,553 students), and Owsley County (909 students). Full story: <http://www.aikcu.org/2010/09/23/berea-college-awarded-500000-promise-neighborhood-grant-to-plan-improvements-for-rural-appalachian-communities/>

Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson joins Bellarmine University as Executive-in-Residence in 2011

When longtime Louisville Mayor Jerry E. Abramson leaves office in January 2011, he will join Bellarmine University as an executive-in-residence, teaching classes on leadership and civics, and organizing lectures and workshops. Full story: http://www.bellarmino.edu/news/more.asp?event_id=794

Midway and Pikeville Colleges partner to guarantee pathways for future pharmacists

Pikeville College President Paul E. Patton and Midway College President William B. Drake Jr. recently announced a partnership that will allow Pikeville College students to pursue a Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D) from Midway College's new School of Pharmacy. The partnership is designed to increase opportunities for Pikeville College students and increase the healthcare capacity of the region. Midway College School of Pharmacy will reserve up to ten spots in each recruiting class for guaranteed admission to students enrolled in Pikeville College's three-year pre-pharmacy curriculum; however, all Pikeville students are welcome to apply and additional students may be admitted.

Midway College's School of Pharmacy is set to open in August 2011 and will enroll up to 80 students per year in the four-year program. See full story:

<http://www.midway.edu/news-events/pikeville-college-collaboration>

Campbellsville University affiliated Kentucky Heartland Outreach celebrates 10 years of service

Kentucky Heartland Outreach (KHO), founded by Dr. Michael Carter, president of Campbellsville University, is celebrating ten years of service to low-income families and individuals. During the course of ten years, KHO has helped repair the homes and lives of over a thousand families. KHO partners with Campbellsville University's program for freshman, FIRST CLASS. Each class spends one day as a part of KHO's Repair Affair, going to a home and doing home improving projects in the hopes that the students will see the importance of servant leadership and developing compassion for others. This experience is then taken back to the classroom where the class instructor and mentor discuss the importance of serving others with their students. Full story:

<http://www.campbellsville.edu/10202010kho>

Kentucky Wesleyan President Cheryl King to step down

Dr. Cheryl D. King, president of Kentucky Wesleyan College, recently announced that she will not seek reappointment when her current term expires on June 30, 2011. King became president of her alma mater on July 1, 2008 after serving as study director of the National Commission on Adult Literacy and nine years in state government, including serving as a vice president at the Council on Postsecondary Education.